

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1091
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CONSTRUCTION OF SHOPPING MALL BY DDA
Paswan Shri Ramchandra

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a shopping mall is being constructed by the DDA in Vasant Kunj, Phase-II without having entered into an agreement with the Delhi Jal Board for the supply of water;
- (b) if so, the details thereof;
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Vasant Kunj is already facing acute water shortage and the residents are forced to buy water from private distributors and construction of such mall would aggravate the already water scarcity in the area; and
- (d) if so, the reasons for building a mall without any arrangements for water supply?

Answer

MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT(SHRI GHULAM NABIAZAD)

(a)to(d): No, Sir. The Delhi Development Authority (DDA) have reported that the Shopping Mall Complex in Vasant Kunj has been planned in consultation with Delhi Jal Board, which has assured adequate water supply after commissioning of the Sonia Vihar Water Treatment Plant. No water is proposed to be diverted from the present water supply to Vasant Kunj.